

WEST TISBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING

March 28, 2006

Present: Prudy Burt Chair, Judy Crawford, Patricia Durfee, Patrick Phear, Tara Whiting Peter Rodegast, Debra Swanson, Oceana Rames and Maria McFarland

Also present for all or part of the meeting: Joanie Ames, Gail Tipton, George Sourati, John Powers, David Merry, T. A. Barnett, Tom Osmer, Keith Maciel, Erik Lowe, Devon Green

Prudy Burt called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

The minutes of the March 14th meeting were approved as corrected.

Hearings

Map 3 Lot 65.2 (SE79-248) Informal meeting with George Sourati. The board reviewed the revised plan entitled, "New Sewage Disposal System in the Town of West Tisbury" as revised to March 24, 2006 prepared by Sourati Engineering. The October 2005 version of this plan located the leach field for the septic system up on a steep slope outside the board's jurisdiction, but with the potential to cause erosion and run off in the buffer zone towards Duarte's Pond. The new version locates the leach field behind the house just slightly outside the board's jurisdiction. The septic tank near the studio is 82 feet from the edge of the resource area. The October 2005 plan would have required a significant amount of earthwork and terracing which the owners decided they did not want to do. Under the new plan, the system will be the same but located behind the house as shown on the March 24 2006 plan.

A motion was made that this plan did not require the filing of a new Notice of Intent and that the amended Order of Conditions did not need to be further amended, as no new conditions are required to protect the resource area. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. Maria was instructed to send a letter that the plan dated March 24, 2006 is acceptable without further action.

New Business:

The commission viewed a presentation by the Water Alliance on the MA Estuaries Project. No action was taken.

Old Business

Map 32 Lot 102 Repair of the Mill Pond Fish Ladder – Tom Osmer presented a plan to repair the old Fish Ladder A permit from the Commission is not required for this work as long as the ladder is strictly a repair or exact replacement. No action was taken.

Map 35 Lots 1.1 and 1.13 Appeal Status. Maria reported that at the March 16th conference call, the parties were instructed to line up their expert witnesses should these appeals go to a formal hearing. After

discussion a motion was made that the Commission not hire an expert witness. The motion was seconded and all were in favor.

There being no further business on the agenda, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria McFarland
Board Administrator
APPROVED